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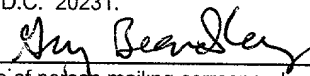
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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

Attorney Docket Number	50120/005001
Applicant	Sithian Pandian et al.
Title	METHOD OF AMPLIFICATION FOR INCREASING THE SENSITIVITY OF DETECTING NUCLEIC ACID-PROBE TARGET HYBRIDS
PRIORITY INFORMATION:	
This application is a continuation of and claims priority from United States patent application 08/719,476, filed September 21, 1999, which is a CPA of 08/719,476, filed September 25, 1996 (now abandoned), which is a divisional application of and claims priority from 08/474,053, filed June 7, 1995 (now abandoned), which is a continuation-in-part of and claims priority from 08/275,849, filed July 15, 1994 (now issued), which claims priority from prior foreign patent application 2,126,952, filed June 28, 1994 in Canada.	
SMALL ENTITY STATUS:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.	
APPLICATION ELEMENTS:	
Cover sheet	1 page
Specification	32 pages
Claims	7 pages
Abstract	1 page
Drawing	2 sheets
Combined Declaration and POA, which is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsigned;	3 pages
Sequence Statement	
Sequence Listing on Paper	
Sequence Listing on Diskette	
Small Entity Statement, which is: <input type="checkbox"/> A copy from prior application [**SERIAL NUMBER**] and such small entity status is still proper and desired.	

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